February 17, 2015: Ivan Loseu (Northeastern), “Cacti and cells.”

Let $W$ be a Weyl group. To $W$ one can assign its cactus group that should be thought as a crystal analog of the braid group. I will construct an action of the cactus group on $W$ that is nicely compatible with Kazhdan-Lusztig cells. A motivation for this comes from a new conjectural approach to cells due to Bonnafé and Rouquier.

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